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1. I'M IMPRESSED BY COLONEL KUPLINS MILITARY AND
PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS TO HEAD THE OFFICE OF
THE DEFENSE COOPERATION IN THE EMBASSY AND I CONCUR
IN HIS ASSIGNMENT.

2. I NOTE, HOWEVER, THAT COLONEL KUPLINS HAS HAD NO
PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE IN THE FIELD OF SECURITY
ASSISTANCE AND WILL RECEIVE ONLY MINIMAL TRAINING
(13 DAYS) BEFORE HE WILL ARRIVE IN DELHI. ADDING
TO THIS PROBLEM IS THAT THE US ARMY NOMINEE TO
FILL THE DEPUTY ADMINISTRATIVE SUPERVISOR JOB
IS ALSO RECEIVING ONLY MINIMAL SECURITY ASSISTANCE
TRAINING (18 DAYS). CONSIDERING THE VERY SMALL SIZE
OF THE ODC OFFICE HERE (3 AMERICANS) AND THE VERY
SUBSTANTIAL TURNOVER WHICH IS TAKING PLACE THIS
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SUMMER, I REQUEST THAT COLONEL KUPLINS BE GIVEN
ADDITIONAL TRAINING BEFORE THIS ARRIVAL IN DELHI.
I AM TOLD THAT SOMETHING ALONG THE LINES OF THAT
PROVIDED BY THE NEWLY DEVELOPED DEFENSE INSTITUTE
OF SECURITY ASSISTANCE MANAGEMENT AT WRIGHT-PATTERSON
AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO WOULD BE GOOD.

3. I RECOGNIZE THAT ADDITIONAL TRAINING MIGHT
ENTAIL SOME DELAY IN COLONEL KUPLINS ARRIVAL.
COMMANDER RYAN, THE PRESENT CHIEF OF ODC, TELLS
ME HE HAS NO INFORMATION REGARDING HIS NEXT ASSIGNMENT
AND HE HAS NO OBJECTION TO STAYING ON A WHILE
LONGER. THIS WOULD, OF COURSE, HAVE TO BE WORKED
OUT BETWEEN THE US MILITARY SERVICE CHIEFS.

4. I ALSO RECOMMEND THAT COLONEL KUPLINS HAVE
AT LEAST A TEN-DAY OVERLAP WITH COMMANDER RYAN
SO THAT THERE MAY BE AN ORDERLY TRANSITION.
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